

CALIFORNIA BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

Subject Matter of Proposed Regulations: Initial License and Certificate Fee

Section Affected: 16 CCR 4130

Specific Purpose of each adoption, amendment, or repeal:

To specify that the initial license or certificate fee shall be prorated pursuant to 16 CCR 4120(a)(1) mentioned above and based on a biennial fee of \$150.

Factual Basis/Rationale

Business and Professions Code section 2570.16 authorizes the board to set the initial license or certification and renewal fees in an amount that does not exceed a ceiling of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) per year.

Section 4120(a)(1) of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations provides that a license or certificate issued shall expire at 12 midnight on the last day of the holder's birth month during an odd year if the licensee was born in an odd year or during an even year, if the licensee was born in an even year. The initial license fee shall be prorated from the month of issuance based on the holder's birth month and birth year.

This proposal would amend section 4130 to specify that the initial license or certificate fee shall be prorated pursuant to 16 CCR 4120(a)(1) mentioned above and based on a biennial fee of \$150. This amendment will clarify to applicants that the initial license fee as set forth in section 4130 is pro-rated based on the applicant's birth month and birth year as set forth in section 4120(a)(1) and eliminate confusion for those who are required to pay more than \$150 based on the number of months of licensure.

Underlying Data

None

Business Impact

This regulation will not have a significant adverse economic impact on businesses.

Specific Technologies or Equipment

This regulation does not mandate the use of specific technologies or equipment.

Consideration of Alternatives

No reasonable alternative to the regulation would be either more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the action is proposed or would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposed regulation.